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TEL-AVIV POST OFFICE RAIDED

Jews Miss Diamond Haul By 15 Minutes

Illegal Migrants

Escape Navy

Jerusalem, Nov. 16.
Twelve armed Jews raided the main post office at Tel-Aviv at 10.40 a.m. today, disarmed four Jewish policemen at the pistol point and then searched the entire building for a parcel of \$32,000 worth of diamonds, which they missed by 15 minutes.

The holdup men entered the Post Office through a rear door and forced 100 employees to stand with their hands raised while they looked for the gems which, however, failed to arrive on schedule, due to an undisclosed delay.

Two armoured cars parked in front of the building failed to detect what was happening inside and the would-be robbers escaped by the rear door.

Meanwhile, Jerusalem reports security regulations were tightened in Palestine last night as the screening of arms, heavy shooting and the exploding of pamphlet and banner bombs added to the jitter of the Holy Land.

Gunfire, directed at a patrolling armoured police car in the Mea Shearim quarter of Jerusalem, brought answering fire from a 25 pounder carried by the police car and 25 minutes of rattling fire from Bren and Sten guns. No casualties were reported.

Star Shells

An apartment was set afire by a star shell, however, and many windows were shattered by shelling.

The Mustapha police billet also was fired upon. Pamphlet bombs exploded in Tel Aviv, where police also removed several banners hoisted over a street from a street by Irqan Zvi Leumi square.

British residents of Jerusalem security zone were ordered to remain inside from dusk until dawn.

Canton Fears Slump In H.K. Dollars

Canton, Nov. 16.
Due to persistent rumours that the Hong Kong dollar will experience a third devaluation, the exchange rate on the open market here between the Hong Kong notes and Chinese National Currency saw a four percent drop in the former yesterday.

Opened at CNS17,000 to HK\$1, the rate was bumped down to CNS16,500 to HK\$1 at noon. — Central News.

Brillons living outside the zones were ordered to stay inside their homes during those hours. Military personnel on duty were confined to barracks and camps.

Most Jewish sections of the city were under house curfew from dusk to dawn.

Entry Gained

It was officially confirmed in Jerusalem today that the 50-ton Jewish nonquota immigrant ship Aliya had succeeded in breaking the British Naval blockade and reached the Palestine coast early today.

The Aliya was beached on a sandy strip near Naharia and it was estimated that between 150 and 200 Jews succeeded in getting ashore.

The ship was left completely deserted about 50 yards from the shore. A search was started at the inland Jewish settlement, following the discovery of tracks leading there from the beach.

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H.K. MANIFESTS FOR CHINA CARGO

Shanghai, Nov. 16.
Effective immediately, merchant cargo arriving in any Chinese ports from Hong Kong without duplicate copy certified by the Hong Kong authorities will be considered unmanifested, though such cargo might have already been listed on the ship's manifest, according to an announcement released yesterday by the China Maritime Customs.

It may be recalled that the Hong Kong Government made an similar announcement on Nov. 6, stating that all ships leaving for Chinese ports must first obtain from the Harbour Office a manifest which will be officially checked by the same office at the time when clearance is granted.

The Hong Kong statement said that this applied only to ships proceeding from there to Chinese ports and to cargo loaded in Hong Kong for such Chinese ports. — Central News.

Wild Rumours On China Aid

Nanking, Nov. 16.
Rumours and speculation trumped up by the Chinese Press criss-crossed the Chinese national capital today on the question of American aid.

The whole Chinese press continued to play up all available reports from Washington. Local press stories, quoted "authoritative sources" or "informed sources", despite known official reluctance to comment.

In the midst of the excitement attention was focused on an American Ambassador's flight to Nanking.

His every movement these days makes capital speculation printed under screaming headlines.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen called on President Chiang Kai-shek on Friday evening and had a long talk with the Generalissimo on U.S. aid.

Dr. Sun called on Foreign Minister Wang Shih-chieh and had another "long talk on aid."

The American envoy attended Mr. Chang Chih-lung's dinner last night and again it was the same "long discussion with top Government officials."

Chang Chih-lung, Premier Chiang Ching-kuo and Mr. Shao Li-tze, PCC Secretary-General, were also present.

Press reports said: "Fervent talks between Dr. Sun and the Chinese authorities on aid are being held."

"Dr. Sun is maintaining constant contact with Secretary of State George Marshall and telegrams are being shuffling between Nanking and Washington, and so forth."

Checking the U.S. Embassy spokesmen on these stories proved that they were mere speculation without any foundation at all.

Speculation around Dr. Sun's movements, however, was supplemented by rumours of all kinds of what the Chinese Government will do.

An "authoritative source" said the Chinese Government is planning to send a special envoy to Washington to contact the U.S. Government.

Another report quoted the Foreign Office as saying that the \$300,000,000

take moderating action for the return of calm."

Earlier messages said that at Cerignola the mob attacked the police barracks with machinegun fire and hand grenades.

The Assistant Police Chief was gravely wounded and three carabinieri and a police agent were slightly wounded.

The province of Lecce, south of Puglia in the heel of the Italian boot, also was experiencing a strike of peasants, diggers and tobacco workers.

With bus and street-car lines already tied up, Rome faces a possible general strike.

Only taxis and ancient "Daimlerettes", privately owned converted pickup trucks, were available to transport Romans who lined the sides of these wheeled vehicles, two and three wheeled. Associated Press.

Blasts Rock Macao

Terrific explosions, followed by leaping flame and thick clouds of smoke, rocked Macao's waterfront on Saturday night, according to a "Wah Kiu Yat Po" correspondent in the Portuguese Colony.

Pedestrians in the vicinity hurried for shelter and shopkeepers in the neighbourhood hurriedly put up show-window shutters and closed their doors.

The explosion occurred at 8.20 p.m. at the No. 7 wharf, opposite the Grand Hotel.

Coolies were unloading sacks (the contents of which have not yet been established), one of which exploded and caught fire when the wharf from a truck on to the ground.

The explosion, which sent the coolies reeling from the spot, set other sacks alight resulting in a series of explosions. The police and fire fighters were soon on the scene and got the flames under control within half an hour.

Fortunately there were no casualties. The police are investigating the origin of the sacks and their contents.

Police And Strikers Clash In London

London, Nov. 16.
A squad of 100 police charged pickets with truncheons at the Savoy Hotel today when the pickets tried to prevent the unloading of three truckloads of fuel oil.

The pickets, claiming that two of their number, including one woman, were slightly injured in the scuffle.

Temperatures dropped below freezing for the first time this winter last night and management evidently decided that fueling of the huge furnaces was necessary.

Anticipating trouble more than 100 police met the trucks at the Savoy entrance at 6.45 a.m. When the pickets rushed the driver the Police attacked.

United Press.

POLICE ARREST NURSE AS STREET-WALKER

In a sudden raid on street-walkers outside the Hong Kong Hotel in Queen's Road Central at about 8.30 last night, the Police inadvertently arrested a Chinese nurse, Miss Pauline Tong and two of her lady friends.

As police whistles blew, girls screamed and darted up side lanes, hotly pursued by policemen with drawn truncheons.

A party of American sailors dashed down the lane between Marina House and St. Francis Hotel and ran into Des Voeux Road Central.

A large crowd soon collected on the scene and Miss Tong and her companions were herded to gether with certain street-walkers.

Miss Tong explained to the Chinese Police who were guarding her that she was a nurse and that she and her companions were waiting for Dr. P. F. Woo, who had arranged to meet them outside the Hong Kong Hotel.

The policemen refused to listen to her explanations, however, and said that she could do her talking at the Police Station.

Doctor Arrives
Dr. Woo subsequently arrived on the scene by car and confirmed that Miss Tong and her friends were waiting for him by appointment.

Interviewed by a "China Mail" reporter, Miss Tong expressed strong indignation over the fact that she was detained in such a manner.

She said that it was most embarrassing to be held up to the public gaze as if she and her companions were street-walkers.

Miss Tong said that she formerly worked in the Queen Mary Hospital, but was now employed at the St. Francis Hospital in Wanchai.

The policemen refused to listen to her explanations, however, and said that she could do her talking at the Police Station.

President Truman will deliver a message to the special session of Congress opening tomorrow endorsing in principle the long range Marshall Plan for European recovery.

He will ask Congress to provide the sum of \$597,000,000 for immediate emergency relief to enable France, Italy and Austria, to survive the winter without a collapse.

He will also put before Congress his long awaited anti-inflation programme to prevent a rising price spiral in the United States and to protect American economy from the dangerous effects of applying vast shipments of goods over-

CHINA BATTLE SHIFTS TO KIANGSU, HOPEI

Manchurian War "Frozen Out"

Shanghai, Nov. 16.
With the fighting in Manchuria "frozen" by sub-zero weather, attention in China's spreading civil war was today focussed on the Nationalist strongholds of Hsuehchow, in North Kiangsu and Paoing in Central Hopei, both of which are at present seriously threatened by large Communist forces. According to latest pro-Government reports, "waves of Government planes" are in action in North Kiangsu to check the Communist advance on Hsuehchow from the west, south and north.

General Yu Chu-tung, the military commander of Kiangsu Province, on his return to Hsuehchow yesterday evening from a defence meeting of six provincial leaders in Nanking, immediately called a conference of local leaders to map out plans for the mobilization of the inhabitants for the defence of the city.

Railway traffic between Hsuehchow and Nanking has been interrupted by fighting at two points, only 60 miles south of Hsuehchow.

Semi-official Government reports this afternoon claimed the Communist spearhead striking from the northwest has been temporarily halted after a three day battle wherein the Nationalists strongly supported by planes and mechanized units, annihilated 3,000 Reds. The same reports, however, said that "in spite of the bitter Nationalist resistance," Communist columns from the south and west are continuing their approach to the city which is now placed under martial law and curfew.

Hsuehchow, situated at the junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lunghai Railway—two of China's most important communication lines—was the site of the Nationalists' military headquarters in the recent Shantung campaign.

Martial law and curfew have been proclaimed in Hsuehchow. Gunfire was audible for the third day in Hsuehchow.

The streets in Hsuehchow appear deserted except for busy military movements.

The Government forces are believed to be preparing for a counter-drive in an effort to oust the Reds from Shiehchiawang, following sustained aerial attacks but no information on operations in that sector was received today.

In Hopei
In central Hopei the general evacuation of provincial Government officials has started from Paoing as the Communists continue their advance towards the city from the south.

The vanguard of the Communist column is said to be less than 15 miles south of Paoing. Over one-third of the Government employees in Paoing, headed by the Secretary-General, have fled.

"Wu, Sieh" Is Back In H.K.
The China Navigation Company's s.s. "Wu, Sieh" returned to Hong Kong on Saturday morning. It had been detained in Canton since Nov. 8 following discovery of contraband goods in various parts of the ship.

The vessel will resume its scheduled run between Hong Kong and Canton on Wednesday.

Chinese press reports said that the Chinese Customs imposed a fine of CN\$1,000,000,000 on the company.

Arrests
Lieutenant-General Phin disclosed that two groups of persons had been arrested in connection with the death of King Ananda and the second in connection with an attempted plot to overthrow the new Cabinet.

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The General's announcement did not disclose any names, but it was understood that all the arrested persons were civilians.

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Siam Told Ananda Was Murdered

Singapore, Nov. 16.
Definite proof that King Ananda Mahidol of Siam was assassinated in June of last year was claimed by Lt. Gen. Phir Chulhawan, deputy Supreme Commander of Siam's armed forces, in a radio broadcast Saturday night.

The broadcast to the Siamese people was reported by the Singapore "Sunday Times" in a special dispatch from Bangkok.

Meanwhile, in Bangkok, an attendant of the Royal Bedchamber was questioned yesterday on the King's death.

Two other members of the Royal Household—an attendant and the late King's religious tutor—were wanted for questioning, according to an authoritative source.

It could not be learned whether they had yet been taken into custody.

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The Weather

At 0000 hrs GMT (8 a.m. Hong Kong Summer Time) yesterday, the severe depression was centred about 140 miles NW of Manila, moving slowly NW. An anticyclone over N. China and Manchuria and in spreading westward across Japan. Today's Forecast: Fresh N winds, fair and warm at first, cloudy later. Tomorrow's Weather: Maximum 23.5 deg. F. Minimum 16.0 deg. F. Sunshine 6.0 hours. Rainfall 0.0 inch. Total since Jan. 255.8 mm. (10.0 in.) as against an average of 240.0 mm. (9.4 in.) for this month. Date: 11 Nov. 1947. Time: 10.00 a.m. Station: Hong Kong. Wind: 10.0 mph. Direction: 110. Wind Force: 3. Sea: 2. Visibility: 10.0 miles. Clouds: 100%.

ST. ANDREW'S HARVEST THANKSGIVING

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was filled to capacity yesterday morning when special Restoration and Harvest Thanksgiving Services were conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. H. Ogilvie, OBE, MA.

The lessons were taken from Deut. XXVI, and St. Luke XXI. Special hymns were "Gloria ye thankful people come," "Now thank we all our God," "To Thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise," and "We plough the fields," and Psalm 65.

The collection made during the morning service would be donated to the Anti-T.B. Sanatorium, the Vicar announced, while the fruits and gifts received for the Harvest Thanksgiving would be sent to the hospitals and the sick and needy.

"Be Joyful"

Taking as his text, "O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands," (Psalm 100), the Rev. Ogilvie said that St. Andrew's had every reason to give thanks to God for His guidance during the past two years, during which with the assistance of all those who loved the Church and who gave freely of money and service, the first part of the rehabilitation programme had been completed.

The recent fete, he announced, had netted about \$5,000 while the Restoration Fund amounted to \$18,000. Work on the exterior had been completed, said the speaker, but there was

still a lot to be done to the interior of the building.

Furniture Needed
More pews were needed and the altar furnishings were in urgent need of replacements. The organ, said Mr. Ogilvie, looked beautiful and complete outside, but if anyone were to try and get some music out of it he would be terribly disappointed. It would need approximately \$25,000, which would be the objective of the next drive.

It was the responsibility of all people on earth to see that there was an equal distribution of God's fruits and grain. There was plenty of both and there was equal distribution there was no need for anyone to starve, declared the speaker.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. C. G. M. Morrison, Assistant Postmaster-General, is to act as Postmaster-General in the absence of Lord Leve of Mr. E. I. W. Jones.

Other appointments announced yesterday:—

Mr. O. F. Hamilton to act as Director of Air Services.
Mr. T. S. D. Whitley to be an Assistant Secretary, Urban Council.
Mr. H. W. Williamson to act as Principal, Queen's College.

U.S. Army Group For Formosa

Nanking, Nov. 16.

The Public Relations Office today confirmed that the American Advisory Group in China, which formerly only helped in training Chinese Army technicians and maintenance personnel, has been authorized to extend the scope of its activities to include a Chinese training centre in Formosa for combat infantry divisions.

The PRO said the group is now making preparation to take up this new advisory mission. It said the date has not yet been set for the starting of actual training.

One Chinese infantry division has now assembled in Formosa. It will be the first China combat unit to be trained under American advisors since the war's end.

Reply

The following reply was issued by the PRO to United Press questions:—

"The Army Advisory Group has been authorized to include an infantry division training centre, an organization set up under the Headquarters, Chinese Ground Force, within the scope of its advisory activities."

"An infantry division training centre has been established in Taiwan under the command of Lieut. Gen. Sun Li-jen, now conducting training without Army Advisory Group advice."

"Preparations now in progress for the taking up of this new advisory mission include:—
"The organization of an advisory group making arrangements in housing, supply and etc. for the advisory group in Taiwan, and preparing tentative plans for advisory work to be done."

"At present this group has no time table for the training of a division now being assembled by the Chinese infantry division training centre, nor has a date been set for the formal starting of the programme under the auspices of this group."—United Press.

Reminders

Today
Whist Drive, European Y.M.C.A. (West Lounge), 8 p.m.
R.C.C. Dance for Shanghai Interiors, 8 p.m.
R.M.S. "Canton" arrives at 5 p.m.

Coming Events
TOMORROW
Rotary Club Lunch, Talk on "Malts" by Capt. J. Weston, H.K. Hotel Roof Garden, 12.30 p.m.
NOVEMBER 20
Portuguese Institute First Session, 7 p.m.
Y. M. C. A. Club Lunch, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

NOVEMBER 21
Little Flower Club General Meeting, King's Park, 6 p.m.
Central British School Concert, 8.30 p.m.
Daily Farm Company Meeting, 11 a.m.

"Jimmy" Put Up A Show

"Jimmy" was the centre of attraction outside the Dairy Farm, Des Voeux Road, yesterday evening.

With a card, which read: "For Sale \$100." Between his teeth, "Jimmy" sat for nearly an hour, without moving an eyelid, despite the curious Sunday crowd bustling around him.

His mistress Tai Kam (widow) said that they had been "kicked out" of their flat and because she has to share a room with another family, she was forced to offer "Jimmy" for sale.

The two-and-a-half-month old canine, according to his mistress, can sit and stand on his hind legs for hours.

"Jimmy" also said, can also deliver messages and carry baskets.

Latest information of the "wonder dog" indicated that Tai Kam still has "Jimmy" with her.

Congress To Attack Aid To China Plan?

Washington, Nov. 16.
Congress appears ironically to be preparing an attack on the Truman Administration's \$300,000,000 China-aid programme for its alleged inadequacy rather than to criticise on the usual grounds of American over-generosity.

This seems evident from Congressional reaction so far to the scheme, which will be submitted in detail by the State Department shortly after the House and Senate reconvene in regular session early in January.

The Chinese Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Wellington Koo, has also indicated the Chinese Government's dissatisfaction with both the scope and the time-table of the aid programme.

He told reporters this week that "we feel our situation is just as urgent, if not more so, than the European situation."

"China," he said, "forms part of the whole world picture—the Western Hemisphere, Europe and the Far East are the three legs of a tripod, and if you leave one leg unattended, the whole tripod will fall."

The scheme is designed, not at long-range reconstruction or largescale physical relief, but rather at achieving a measure of monetary stability whereby a start can be made on reducing China's huge inflation programme, scheduled to start on April 1 next and continue at the rate of \$20,000,000 monthly for 15 months.

Not "Hard"

These figures are not yet "hard" and changes may well be made before the final plan is completed.

Mr. Marshall is contending to Congressmen, who ask why the same urgency is not being put behind this programme as behind the stopgap aid scheme, that the situations in the Far East and Europe are not comparable.

Mr. Marshall is arguing that China is not faced in the immediate future with complete inability to continue essential imports.

He, nevertheless, is avoiding committing himself on the main idea that seems to lie behind the queries of the Congressmen—the belief that the problem of China is as much a political and military problem as an economic one.

Real Danger

This idea, in turn, is based on real fears publicly expressed by a former Ambassador, Mr. William Bullitt, in a recent magazine article and widely accepted in Congress and elsewhere, that there is a real danger of the Russians overrunning Manchuria in the next six months unless America acts quickly.

Though there is no way of officially confirming it, it has been widely reported that General Wedemeyer, in his last secret report on China, uttered the same warning and like Mr. Bullitt, urges a much larger programme of aid than the one at present envisaged.

Mr. Bullitt's programme, which is again alleged to parallel General Wedemeyer's recommendations in this respect, urges not only monetary stabilization but large-scale military assistance, including training programmes and sup-

plies.

Children of the Hindu community were entertained at a party held at the Indian Recreation Club yesterday afternoon.

Sports were held and adults joined in a singing competition. The occasion marked the end of the Dewali festivities and was conducted under the committee of the Hindu Association, whose chairman (Mr. F. T. Melvan) was the principal organizer.

TRAM AND BUS IN COLLISION
Bus No. 4143 collided with a tramcar near the Cathay Theatre in Wanchoi at 2.30 p.m. yesterday. The bus was slightly damaged. There were no injuries.

British Ship Breaks Back In Gale

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Nov. 16.
The United States Coast Guard cutter Evergreen was today dispatched to the assistance of a 4,900-ton British freighter, Langley, which has run aground and broken in two in the Straits of Belle Isle, near the northern tip of Newfoundland.

An SOS was received from the ship by the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Evergreen was sent to help from a Newfoundland land base.

Reports from St. John's, Newfoundland, said that the crew were trapped on board the ship as wind and rain lashed the vessel.

Shipping men estimate that they are probably 25 people on board and believe that it is a case of not accomplishing a full rescue.

Chinese Election Prospects

Nanking, Nov. 16.

Chief of Staff General Chen Cheng, now commanding the Nationalist Manchurian forces, and General Ku Tsu-tung, commander of the Chinese Army with GHQ at Changchow, Honan, were among the 35 Kuomintang National Assembly delegates who voluntarily relinquished candidacies in the National elections.

They will make room for other party ticket members of the Democratic Socialist Party, reliable sources said today.

A full list of the 35 Kuomintang candidates could not be obtained but a spokesman of the National Election Office said all of them are top-ranking Government and military officials on active service.

Appeal

The large-scale withdrawal of Kuomintang officials from the party ticket for the National Assembly followed Chiang Kai-shek's exhortations last week that party members co-

operate their energies on the Government's suppression campaign against the Chinese Reds, which the Generalissimo said, "is much more important than in seeking nominations in the forthcoming election of the national assembly."

Chiang himself rejected a candidacy as a Kuomintang delegate from Fenghua, his native town, to set an example for party members.

Madame Chiang a few days later declined to stand as a Kuomintang delegate from Nanking.

Spy Ring Broken

Meanwhile, in Shanghai, the local garrison authorities claim to have smashed another Communist espionage ring with the arrest in the past 48 hours of more than ten Communist "secret service men."

The arrested persons are said to belong to an organization known as the "Chickens 35th Tank Force," specialising in sabotage work along the Shanghai-Nank. g. Railway.

They will be brought before a military tribunal after the completion of investigations by the authorities.—Associated Press and Reuter.

U.S. SHIP TO LEAVE TODAY

Admiral C. M. Cooke, Commander of U.S. Naval Forces, West Pacific, ends his five-day official visit to the Colony today when his flagship, USS "Eaton," accompanied by USS "Atlanta," USS "Rupertus," and USS "Mason," leaves the harbour at 9.22 a.m. for Singapore (weather permitting).

Last night, the American Admiral was honoured at a dinner party given by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, at Government House. The day before, the Admiral and his officers were entertained at a cocktail party at the American Club and at a dinner given by Mr. George Hopper, American Consul-General.

During their stay here, all the American officers were made Honorary Members of the Harcourt Officers' Club, the United Services Recreation Club, and the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

MIDWIVES EXAMINATION

The following passed the Midwives Board Examination held in October:—
Government hospitals:—Anna Mary Daisy Chan, Ella Jui, Margaret Tsui and Phyllis Wong; Tan Yik Hospital:—Cheung Shuen-ling.

Kwong Wah Hospital:—Tam To-yee.
Tung Wah Hospital:—Wan Ling-kwan.
Netherdale Hospital:—Chan Wing-han, Chan Wing-ching, Cheuk Tak-ching, Lai Pile-shun, Wong Shun-wa and Yeung Yik-tai.

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"LITTLE FLOWER CLUB" GROWS IN STRENGTH

The yearly ordinary general meeting of the "Little Flower Club" will be held on Friday at the Club House, King's Park, at 8 p.m.

In her report circulated yesterday, the President, Miss Hedwig de Silva said:—
"On Sept. 30, 1946 our Club House was opened, and for the first time we had a home of our own. The story of the activities of the Club as outlined in the Report issued in July 1946, showed that the Club was active along the lines laid down for us in our rules. The enthusiasm of the members gave promise of still greater good to come."

"Our hopes seemed dashed to the ground when the Japanese attacked Hong Kong on Dec. 8, 1941. The members of the Club were scattered and our home became a derelict shell, with nothing but the four walls."

Rehabilitation
"Members of the Club got to work and three rehabilitation committees were formed to find ways and means to bring back the Club to its former state, of restoring what had been destroyed, or looked, and of making the Little Flower Club the home which it had before the war."

"Thanks to a generous donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, we got a loan of \$5,000. Interest free, to begin the work of restoration. Thanks also to many members and friends who have so promptly paid in their subscriptions and given donations, and in a very special manner to Mr. Way, the architect, who has given gratuitously of his services. We have today once more the home we had before the war, not yet completely furnished, it is true, but still a home to which we can come."

Members
"The number of members present was 309. The number today is 273, of whom 133 are new members. There have been many resignations. We hope that these members who were the backbone of the Club in the days before 1941 will reconquer their decision. It is with regret that we have to record the death of 17 of our members since our last annual meeting. Among them our Hon. Vice President, Miss C. M. Gonzalez, who was one of our founder members."

San Francisco, Nov. 16.
Thomas L. Cokely was elected on Friday vice-president of the American President Lines.—Associated Press.

At its next meeting, on Tuesday, the Rotary Club, Hong Kong, will hear Captain J. Weston, G. M., speak on "Malta." The meeting will take place in the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden at 12.30 p.m.

CONCERT
A concert of recorded music will be presented at the Talbot House (Top II), 50, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30 this evening. The programme will include the following works by Bach:—
Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 in F Major, Air (from Suite No. 3 in D Major), Concerto in D Minor (for piano and orchestra) and Symphony No. 4 in E Minor by Brahms.

Athens, Nov. 16.
Guerillas who penetrated into the centre of Comotini, Thrace, last night, were repulsed after an all-night battle. The attack was the second made on the town this week.—Reuter.

Labour Union Heads In Marseilles Arrested
Marseilles, Nov. 16.
Mobile guards yesterday swarmed through Communist-led labour union centres and hideouts of strike sympathizers in this riot town. They hustled 82 suspects off to the police headquarters and questioned hundreds of others.

Six alleged ring leaders, whom the police believed to be responsible for rioting which broke out on Wednesday, are being held for court trial.

Most of the suspects were released after an examination. The police announced that all foreigners who were questioned and failed to produce proper identity papers would be expelled summarily from France's greatest port.

The Government suspended two companies of security police without pay for failing to halt the Communist invasion of the city hall on Wednesday.

Farmers Restive
Paris, Nov. 16.
If the new agricultural production plan is putting forward a revolutionary upheaval could not be avoided, M. Marcel Rocard, Minister of Agriculture, declared in Paris today.

M. Rocard said that three things must be done to solve the food and farming problem in France:—
1.—Restore confidence between the farmers and the Government.
2.—Give the farmers the things they needed to increase production, and
3.—Tighten up the collection of farm produce for sale in the towns.

French farmers, the Minister said, were "obstinately set against the Government," and making no attempts to deliver their produce. Petrol and other fuels were the main things needed to increase production, M. Rocard continued.

To obtain more for the farmers, the Government had decided to reduce petrol supplies for the Ministries, and the railways had taken out most of their petrol driven on 11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

RADIO
2BW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 5.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 5.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
1.15 p.m.—Hilary Barton and His Orchestra and Frances Day (Voice).
1.00 p.m.—New Weather Report, and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson (Soprano).
1.30 p.m.—Mark Weber and His Orchestra.
1.50 p.m.—Close Down.
4.30 p.m.—Variety Request, Favourites.
7.00 p.m.—Ripley, Rudy, Dixie and His Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—Studio: "I Like What I Like."
Presented by Penelope Martin.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: "World and I."
8.15 p.m.—Vocal Solo.
8.30 p.m.—Studio: Vocal Recital by Vera Johnston—Doris (Mammoth Soprano).
8.45 p.m.—Piano recital by the Very Rev. Father Rignall, S.J.
8.50 p.m.—Friedmann, Elvira (Soprano) and Symphony Orchestra.
9.00 p.m.—Studio: A Talk by the Rev. Father Rignall, S.J. "Great Company"—Harris.
9.30 p.m.—London Talladon Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
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Germans To Head Army Parade

Berlin, Nov. 16. The German band of the Hamburg Police Force will head the parade of British army units in Hamburg on the day of the Royal Wedding because there is no British army band available in the city.

The regimental music to be played by the band is being flown from Britain.

The day will not be a public holiday in the British Zone, but many leading officials of the Military Government will watch the parade.

A joint services ceremonial parade will be held in Berlin in honour of the wedding.

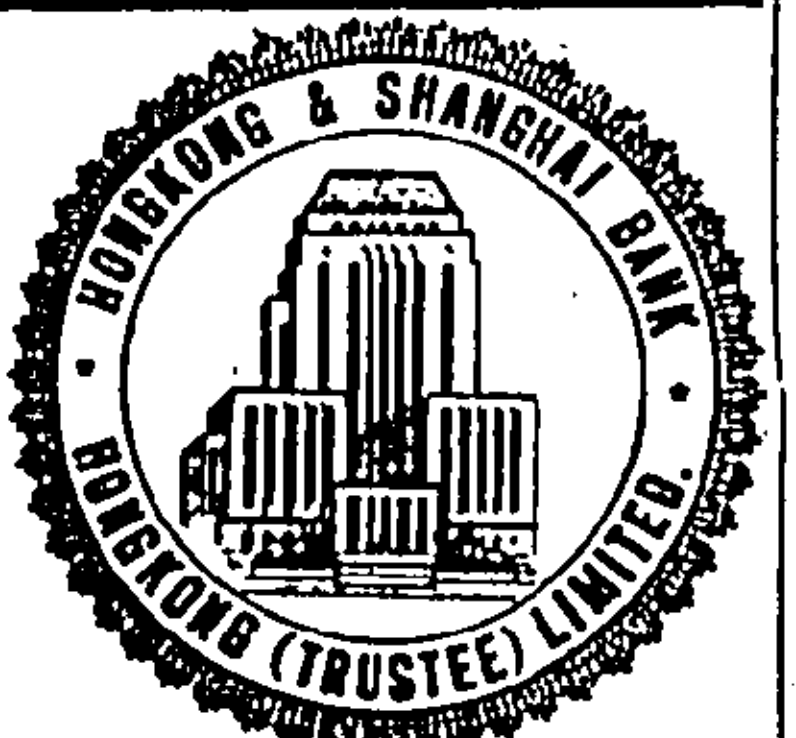
A squadron of the Royal Horse Guards, the First Battalion of the Royal Norfolk Regiment, and an RAF contingent will form up outside the Berlin radio station.

Three cheers will be given for Princess Elizabeth, and the parade will march past senior officers of all three services. The salute will be taken by Major General Herbert, the British Commander in Berlin.—Reuter.

GO-SLOW PETROL STRIKE OVER

Buenos Aires, Nov. 15. Rationed sales of petrol to private motorists were resumed today when a go-slow movement in the distribution and sales division of the oil companies ended.

Private motorists had been without any petrol since Thursday when oil workers adopted go-slow tactics in aid of their demand for higher wages and other improved working conditions.—Reuter.



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Cripps' Reputation Increased

London, Nov. 16. Government power is now concentrated in four men. The sensational resignation of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, after the budget leakage this week, has made the Big Five into a Big Four.

The effectual direction of the country is now controlled by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, and the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison.

Mr. Dalton's departure was the culminating point in a chain of events which, over the past year, has completely changed the set-up of the Inner Cabinet.

Before the winter crisis, which threw millions of Britons temporarily out of work, popular conception placed the Inner Cabinet in the following order of importance, Messrs. Attlee, Morrison, Dalton and Cripps. Mr. Attlee has been increasingly criticised in the difficult months that have followed, but his continuation in the Premiership has not been seriously challenged.

There are Labour supporters who want a stronger leadership, but the Labour Party, as a whole, has never agreed upon an alternative leader.

Cripps' Prophecies

Mr. Morrison was No. 2 in importance before the crisis, had a serious illness as a result of which he decided to delegate some of his many functions, including the critical one of economic directions to other hands.

Mr. Bevin was formerly thought No. 3 of the Cabinet. Sir Stafford Cripps was a "junior."

Mr. Bevin's stock in the country has never fallen and tends to rise steadily. If slowly, but Sir Stafford's reputation has increased sensationally, as ridiculed by his political enemies one year ago for constantly preaching austerity as the country's imperative need, his warnings have been richly justified by the crisis.

His known great contributions to the Indian and Burma settlements have added to his reputation.

Mr. Morrison

Sir Stafford, supervising, as well as the Treasury, other "economic" Ministries, has a larger responsibility than any single member of the Government after the Prime Minister.

His influence ranks equally with Mr. Bevin and if a change of Premiership took place, Mr. Bevin or Sir Stafford Cripps would be indicated as alternatives to Mr. Attlee.

Mr. Morrison continues to be a very powerful force in the Government. As leader of the House of Commons, he is the supreme director of the Government's legislative programme and party boss.

In the administrative and Parliamentary sense, his brain is second to none in the Government. At present, however, he is considered wise not to overload himself and thus in-

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Dalton's Lesson In Ethics

New York, Nov. 16. The New York Daily News declared in an editorial comment today that official Washington could learn something of ethics by a study of Mr. Hugh Dalton's resignation as Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The practice in Washington of handing advance copies to "pet newspapermen" had about it an "aura of unfairness and sour ethics at best," said the Daily News.

"We wish our top-drawer Government officials would ponder the Dalton incident pretty studiously."

The New York Times said that there was a touch of tragedy in the resignation, but that the sequel overshadowed the episode itself.

"With the Exchequer under his control," the paper wrote, "Sir Stafford Cripps holds dictatorial economic powers to which the nearest comparison would be those exercised by Mr. James Byrnes in wartime United States, when he bore the title of Assistant to the President."

"The significance of all this to Americans lies in the fact that at a moment when the Marshall Plan has emerged as the outstanding issue of the day, the complete responsibility for production in Britain has passed into the hands of one British statesman who, more than any other, may be said to epitomise the underlying spirit of the plan—the spirit of self-help."—Reuter.

Health, who, as an individualist, wields great authority.

As, however, a fusion of Mr. Bevin's Left Wing philosophy with the more orthodox ideas of the Big Four seems unlikely, few people visualise him as completing the Big Five.

The pattern of the Inner Government now shows Mr. Attlee as general supervisor, Sir Stafford Cripps as director of the whole economic drive for recovery, and Mr. Bevin as Foreign Secretary with supervisory interest in all overseas interests, such as colonial and Commonwealth matters.

Another Minister with multiple portfolio is the Minister of Defence, Mr. A. V. Alexander, who has overriding control of the Naval, Army and Air Departments, but his personal influence in the Cabinet is not to be compared with that of the Big Four.—Reuter.

SYRIAN ARMY MANOEUVRES

Damascus, Nov. 16. The Syrian President and Commander-in-Chief will tomorrow supervise army manoeuvres in the Sasa Plain, in the Palestine frontier region south of Damascus, afterwards visiting barracks and garrisons.

"Tomorrow's manoeuvres will mark the close of Syrian operations near the Palestine frontier. They started last month."—Reuter.

SMUTS IN ATHENS

Athens, Nov. 15. Field-Marshal Jan Smuts, Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, arrived in Athens today on his way to London to attend the Royal wedding.

General Smuts is spending two days in Athens as a State guest, but, at his own request, there will be no official receptions.—Reuter.

Pope's Appeal For Moral Principles

Castel Gandolfo, Nov. 16. Pope Pius, in a speech to the new Haitian Minister to the Holy See, said today that conventions and pacts of peace without sincere spiritual preparation "will never be but an incoherent attempt at sterile reformation" without hope of success.

Speaking in French after Minister Leon R. Thibaud had presented his credentials, the Pontiff said "it becomes more and more evident that without sincere preparation of the spirit, all articles and clauses of conventions and pacts of peace will never be but an incoherent attempt at sterile compromise. No clairvoyant spirit or no man, instructed by the experience of history, would dare promise them a long future."

The Pope deplored the catastrophe of recent wars, and said that, in fact, has humanity in a lapse of time so relatively short, had to fear and to weep at the spectacle of so much bloodshed, so many ruins covered by such a collapse of material and spiritual values.

The first step toward the restoration of the world, he declared, must be repentance and a return to those "moral, eternal principles which no one can ever violate with impunity."—United Press.

PALESTINE FUNDS: A DENIAL IN LONDON

London, Nov. 16. A Foreign Office spokesman today emphatically denied a New York report that the British administration in Palestine intended to appropriate \$12,500,000 from the Palestine Treasury, including its surplus of \$6,250,000, at the termination of the mandate.

He said that it was more probable that there would be a Treasury deficit to be made good by the British Government when all commitments were met, since the administration of Palestine had been consistently a liability to the British Government.

Commenting on the uses to which the American report said that Britain would vote the alleged surplus, the spokesman said that it was true that the Palestine Government would be expected to pay pensions and emoluments to its own civil servants.

This seemed a proper charge for the Palestine Government to bear, he added, since the majority of the civil servants concerned were Arabs or Jews.

Commenting on the suggestion that part of the sum would be devoted to frustrating violence immigration, the spokesman said that by far the greater cost involved—that of action by the British Army and Navy—was a direct charge on the British taxpayer.

Sale Denied

He admitted that the cost of the refugee camps in Cyprus was borne by the Palestine Government.

A Colonial Office spokesman, reiterating the Foreign Office denial, added that the Palestine Treasury surplus, mentioned in the report of \$6,250,000, was a "budgetary surplus" and was

being used for compensation payments, food subsidies and cost of living allowances to British, Jewish and Arab citizens alike.

The Colonial Office spokesman also denied that the British Government was planning the sale to private buyers of State land on the waterfront at Haifa, as the New York report had declared.

Part Costs

Questioned about a further statement in the report, that the British intended to invest in Government securities in London a major portion of the Palestine bonds sold to Palestinians, the spokesman replied: "Certainly, we have already done so to a considerable extent, to safeguard the money for the Palestinian holders, and the money concerned had all been earmarked for repayment to those Palestinian holders."

Supporting both the official spokesmen about the uses to be made of the Palestine Treasury surplus, one usually well-informed source did, however, indicate today that the British Government policy would probably be eventually to make the Palestine Government cover at least part of the costs of the evacuation.

It was doubtful, he said, that the Palestine Government could ever raise enough money to pay for the full costs, which would include compensation payments to many civilian employees.—Reuter.

Jewish Agency Wins First Round

Flushing Meadows, Nov. 16. The Jewish Agency won the first round today in its fight to prevent the British Government from appropriating any Palestine Treasury surplus when the British administration leaves Palestine.

The Agency representative, Moshe Shertok, persuaded the United Nations Palestine Partition Sub-Committee here to adopt a text into its partition report that the interim mandatory power should negotiate with the United Nations Commission regarding the disposal of assets of the Palestine Government.

The resolution reads: During the period between the appointment of the United Nations Commission and the termination of the mandate, the mandatory power shall negotiate with the Commission on any concession which it may intend to grant, or any measure which it may contemplate, involving the liquidation and disposal of any Palestine Government assets, including an accumulated Treasury surplus and the proceeds of bonds issued for State lands.

No opposition to this amendment was voiced by any member of the Committee, and Mr. John Martin, the British representative, made no comment.

It was understood that Jewish Agency circles have feared for some time that the British Government might lay claim to certain Palestinian assets, estimated at about £12,500,000, as compensation for the evacuation of British troops and administrative personnel, and the cost of preventing illegal immigration and maintaining immigrants camps in Cyprus, and damage done to property by terrorists.—Reuter.

SERIES OF BOMB EXPLOSIONS

Buenos Aires, Nov. 16. A bomb explosion in the garden of Foreign Minister Juan A. Bramuglia's headquarters touched off a police investigation today of a series of similar incidents in recent weeks.—Associated Press.

EGYPT EPIDEMIC SLUMPING

Cairo, Nov. 16. The slumping cholera rate dropped again today, with a communique showing 62 persons dead and 89 new cases of the disease in Egypt in the past 24 hours.—United Press.

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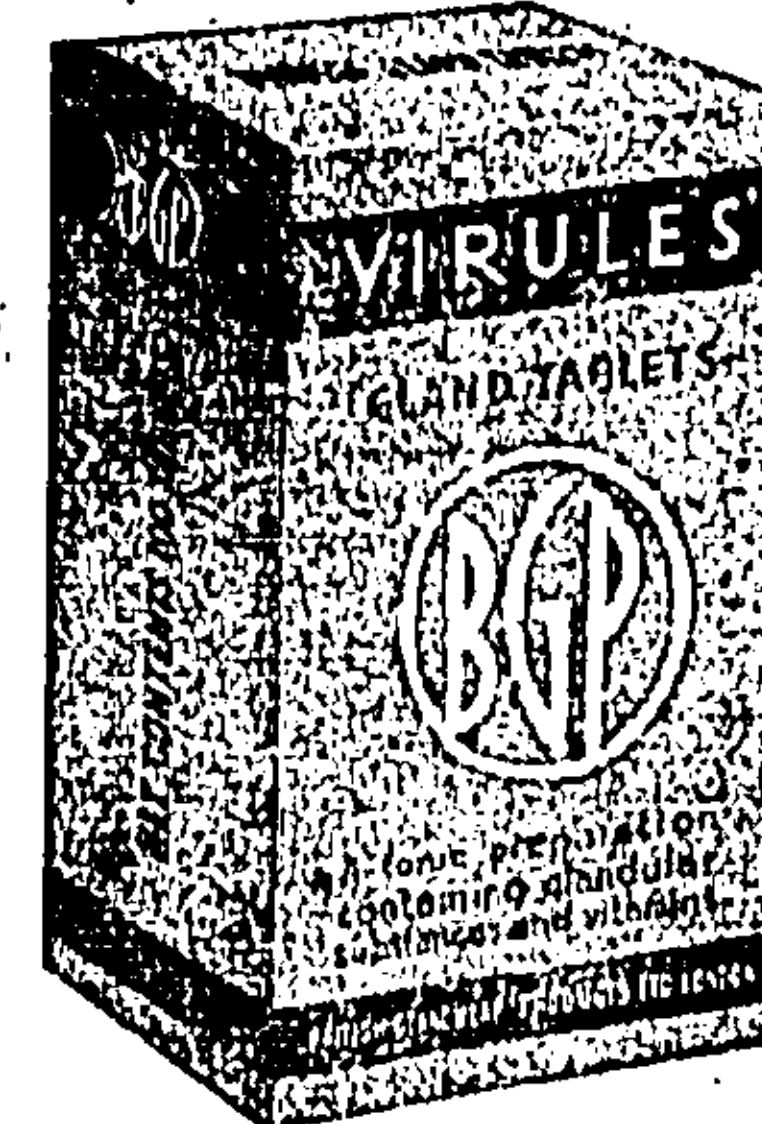
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Through numbers (7 races—\$14) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Exchange Building also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race as well as those for the "Hong Kong Derby" to be run at the Annual Race Meeting in January 1948. The latter may also be purchased at the Club Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

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The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 12.00 noon. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).
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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.
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day the 21st day of November
1947 for the purpose of con-
sidering and if thought fit pass-
ing the following Resolution as
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"That the authorised
capital of the Company be
increased from its present
capital of \$2,250,000.00 divid-
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each and that the unissued
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capital and such additional
shares as aforesaid shall be
issued at such time or times
and upon such terms and
conditions as the Company's
Board of Directors in their
absolute discretion shall
think fit."

NOTICE is also given that
if the above Resolution is duly
passed it is the intention of the
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of Members of the Company
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than the 31st March 1948 and
so that each member of the
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nominee shall be entitled to ap-
ply for and take up two new
shares for every three issued
shares held by such member on
the 16th December 1947. The
shares so offered shall rank for
dividend as from the 1st day
of April 1948.

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offer any member would be en-
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Directors in lieu of issuing
fractional certificates will cause
the whole share to be issued to
a person or persons to be nam-
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share shall at such time as the
Directors think fit be sold and
the proceeds distributed among
the persons entitled to the frac-
tions making up such share.

The Directors will dispose of
any shares offered to members
in the event of non acceptance
by payment thereof by mem-
bers or their approved
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day of March 1948 at such time
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ed shares in the Company but
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for registration accompanied by
the requisite share certificates
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OSWALD MOSLEY REAPPEARS First Political Speech Since The War

Radio To Help Cancer

Newcastle-on-Tyne, Nov. 16.
Experiments with ultra short wave
radio, developed largely during the
war, are to be carried out by three
specialists to help cancer sufferers.
This was revealed here last night
when the North of England Cancer
Council granted £5,000 to finance
two years of research by Dr. C. J.
Thurmer and Dr. F. T. Farmer, and
Professor W. E. Curtis.

Dr. Thurmer said that they did not
want to stir up false hopes as it is
not known yet if short waves will
cure cancer without ill-effects else-
where. A definite answer, he said,
would be given within two years.—
Reuter.

Meeting Veiled In Secrecy

London, Nov. 15.
America was facing Russian Communism across
the prostrate body of Britain in the struggle
to preserve the remnants of Western civilisa-
tion. Sir Oswald Mosley, former leader of the
British Union of Fascists, declared in London
tonight in his first political speech since the
war.

A union of Europe was now necessary to the sur-
vival of every nation on the continent, he said.

The meeting was veiled in
melodramatic secrecy. The
place of assembly was kept a
secret from all those invited ex-
cept for handful of reliable sup-
porters. The remainder were in-
structed on their invitations, to
assemble at various points of
London, from where they would
be guided to the hall.

The meeting was not publicly
announced and no newspapers
were asked to send reporters.
The Press Association (the news
agency dealing with home news)
and Reuters received invitations,
and then only two hours before
the meeting was due to start.

Mosley said: "My friends and
I endured five years of prison
and house arrest for expressing
the opinion that the last war
was not only unnecessary but a
world disaster.

"A Prison"
"It is far from consolation
that all England is a prison
now. The truth of our opinion is
proved today in the present
condition of Britain and of
Europe and in the surrender to
chaos of a large area of the
British Empire.

"Britain had exhausted her-
self before the real fight began
and today American faces Rus-
sian Communism across the
prostrate body of this country in
the struggle to preserve the
remnants of Western civilisation.
"If that clash comes, every-
thing must be subordinate to
victory. No personal feelings,
no national differences, no self-
interest, no bitterness should
stand in the way of a Western
union to save the world from
barbarians.

"In such a test, all Europe
must be one, and all politics
must end till it is done."

"Paradise For Crooks"
"Of the position in Britain, he
said: "The Labour Government
has produced a muddle without
parallel and a paradise for
every crook and shark (cheat),
big and small, in the land.

"The Conservative answer is
as inadequate to meet the situa-
tion as it is absurd in a party
of their nationalist pretensions.
Of both parties, he said:
"They are travelling through an
atomic age in a stage coach."
"The idea I now advance,"

Aid Plan Linked With Germany

London, Nov. 16.
The preparations for submitting the United States
Government's plan for aid to Europe to Con-
gress are becoming more and more linked
with the approach of the great powers to the
discussion of Germany's political and econo-
mic future at the forthcoming meeting of the
Big Four Foreign Ministers.

The approach of the Foreign
Ministers Conference provides
the American administration
with a convenient spur to

urgency in dealing with the
programme for aid to Europe.
But, paradoxically, it is only
necessary to read the section of
the Harriman Committee re-
port on the plan dealing with
Western Germany to realise
that if the Harriman proposals
are adopted and implemented,
the prospects of German econo-
mic unity have gone by the
board.

Then there comes the surpris-
ing proposal, made by Mr.
John Foster Dulles, in evidence
to the United States Senate
Foreign Affairs Committee,
that if Russia continues to shun
the American proposal for a 40-
year disarmament pact for Ger-
many, America, Britain and
France should go ahead with it
on a three-power basis.

Although Mr. Dulles occupies
no official position, the fact that
a proposal to transform what is
conceived as a safeguard
against a repetition of German
aggression into something un-
commonly like an anti-Comintern
pact in a new guise, can be
seriously made by a prominent
American expert on foreign
policy is symptomatic of the
growing impotence of American
opinion at the continued delays
of the Foreign Ministers in
finding a solution to their dif-
ference over Germany.

Observers are already predict-
ing a clean break on the Ger-
man question, which would re-
sult in the setting up of two
German states.—Reuter.

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Suspicious Accident

Santiago, Nov. 15.
Two miners were killed, one
seriously injured and seven suf-
fered partial asphyxiation in an
accident in the Schwager
coal mine south of Concepcion,
Southern Chile, today.

The military authorities are
investigating the causes of the
accident.

The Schwager mine was the
scene of a sit-down strike last
month by more than 2,000
miners who demanded the
withdrawal of troops from the
coalfield and the cancellation of
the deportation of Communist
leaders which had been ordered
after an earlier coal strike.—
Reuter.

DENMARK AND GREENLAND

Copenhagen, Nov. 16.
Denmark must mobilise all efforts to
support the development of Green-
land, the new Premier, M. Heide,
said tonight in his first broadcast
since the formation of his Gov-
ernment on Wednesday.

It was announced two weeks ago
that the United States would with-
draw American troops from Green-
land.

The problem of the big weather
and radar stations in Greenland
was then unsolved, as their main-
tenance would be a severe drain on
Danish resources.—Reuter.

MR. BEVIN'S APPROACH TO SOVIET RUSSIA

Bristol, Nov. 16.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, told the
Trade Union festival here tonight he regret-
ted that the whole of Europe was not at the
16-nation meeting held in Paris recently on
the Marshall Plan.

He added: "So long as I am in
this job and if people will net
come to an agreement, I am not
going to be a party to keeping
the world in chaos."

The United States would do
what it could to supplement
European nations' help to one
another, he declared. "It is not
dominating Europe; it is putting
an obligation upon us and it is
one of the reasons why I have
been so anxious to get exports
of coal to Sweden, Denmark and
Norway."

"If we had not met I could
settle the bacon contract with
Denmark tomorrow, and we
could have more bacon, eggs and
butter."

Mr. Bevin continued: "I take
no notice of the abuse which is
hurled at me. If you have got
to try to settle the world on the
basis of an existing ideology of
Communism against Capitalism
or other 'ism' you cannot settle
it. You will only drive to greater
trouble."

"But if you get down to the
greater basis of getting people to
live right again, then there is a
chance of getting an understand-
ing and even peace in Europe. I
hope America will ring to her
opportunity."

Reason

"If America is willing to pour
out her wealth, as she did in the
war in the terms of large loans,
I am not going to meet her with
abuse. I am going to do all I
can to work and cooperate with
the brothers of the Continent
and take up her supplication to
try to put an end to this misery."

Referring to the forthcoming
Big Four Foreign Minister meet-
ing in London, Mr. Bevin said
that at the end of this month we
can settle the problem of Ger-
many. "No one can accuse me
of being impatient, no one can
accuse me of not trying. There
comes a moment when you feel
that you cannot get a settlement."

"If we when we meet the
French instead of war will play
its part, I hope the basic facts
of Europe will not dominate the
four Foreign Secretaries' minds."

Mr. Bevin said that the Lon-
don meeting was almost the last
chance of getting an agreement.
—Reuter.

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Princess To Tour Canada And U.S.?

London, Nov. 16. Princess Elizabeth and her bridegroom, Lt. Philip Mountbatten, have agreed provisionally to visit Canada and probably the United States next spring, according to a source close to Buckingham Palace.

President Truman invited the couple to visit the United States shortly after their engagement was announced last spring. At the same time Canada also extended an invitation. The visit of the Princess to North America will be her first.

New S'hai-Australia Air Route

Shanghai, Nov. 16. Plans for inaugurating two new overseas air routes, one linking Shanghai with Singapore and the other linking Shanghai with Australia, are now under way by the China National Aviation Corporation, one of China's two leading airlines, according to Chinese reports.

Following the signing of an Anglo-Chinese bilateral air transport agreement, CNAC is said to have entered into negotiations with British aviation authorities for the establishment of new air routes linking China with the British Dominions and Colonies. It is added, however, that materialization of the plans will largely depend on the foreign exchange allotment by the Chinese Government for the purchase of high octane gas of which the CNAC is facing an acute shortage.—Reuter.

ROCKET BLAST VICTIMS

Aylesbury, Nov. 15. The casualty list in the Supply Ministry rocket research station explosion at Westcott near here yesterday has risen to three killed and 11 injured. Mr. J. R. Salmon, experimental officer, died late last night. Others killed were Dr. Johannes Schmidt, the German scientist, and Mr. R. P. Rowlands, 28-year-old British experimental officer.—Reuter.

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Princess' Wedding Preparations

London, Nov. 16. Kings, Queens and Princes from seven European countries, the biggest gathering of foreign Royalty since the war, were arriving this week-end for the wedding of Princess Elizabeth to Lieut. Philip Mountbatten on Thursday.

King Michael of Rumania, piloting his own plane, arrived from Switzerland today with his mother Queen Helen and Aunt, the Duchess of Rosta. They dined at Buckingham Palace later with King George and Queen Elizabeth.

King Frederik and Queen Ingrid of Denmark will arrive tomorrow to stay at Buckingham Palace where King Hakan of Norway, who lands at Newcastle on Monday from Bergen, will also be a guest.

Also arriving today from Paris were ex-King Peter and Queen Alexandra of Yugoslavia, who will stay at Claridge Hotel, one of the Savoy group of luxury hotels affected by a ten-day-old strike of hotel workers.

Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands will arrive tomorrow to stay with the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester.

Queen Frederika of Greece is due in London tomorrow, and will stay at Buckingham Palace.

Fifteen more Royal guests invited for the wedding will arrive either this week-end or early next week.

The wedding cake, nine feet high and 500 pounds in weight, and four-tiered, is packed with Empire fruit and covered with white icing.

State Splendour

Into it went five and a half pints of rum and brandy from Jamaica and Trinidad, and seven gold lucky charms—a bachelor button, a wedding ring, thimble, donkey, three-penny bit, wishbone and a horseshoe. The cake has taken five weeks to decorate with silver-plated tiers with sugar plaques of armorial bearings and modeled figures depicting the favourite sports of the Princess and Lieut. Mountbatten.

A wedge of the cake has already been cut beneath the layer of sugar so that as soon as the Princess cuts into the cake with the point of the sword, the slice will lift out easily.

The wedding will bring back to this bomb-scarred capital of an economically-embattled Empire something of the traditional State splendour which the war interrupted.

The occasion recalls the last great regal show, the coronation of King George the Sixth and his Queen in May, 1937. It will be the first marriage of an heir to the British throne since Charlotte Augusta, daughter of George IV, and Leopold of Saxe-Coburg were wed in 1816.

Charlotte Augusta died before reaching the throne. Queen Victoria, Britain's last woman monarch, was already a Queen at the time of her marriage.

No White Stockings. Princess Elizabeth will break tradition by not wearing white stockings at her wedding. She will wear natural shade ones.

Bandit Threat To Canton River Boats

Canton, Nov. 16. Increased banditry has forced the addition of armed escorts and armed high speed launches as protection to passenger vessels on the rivers leading into Shakk, 60 miles south of Canton.

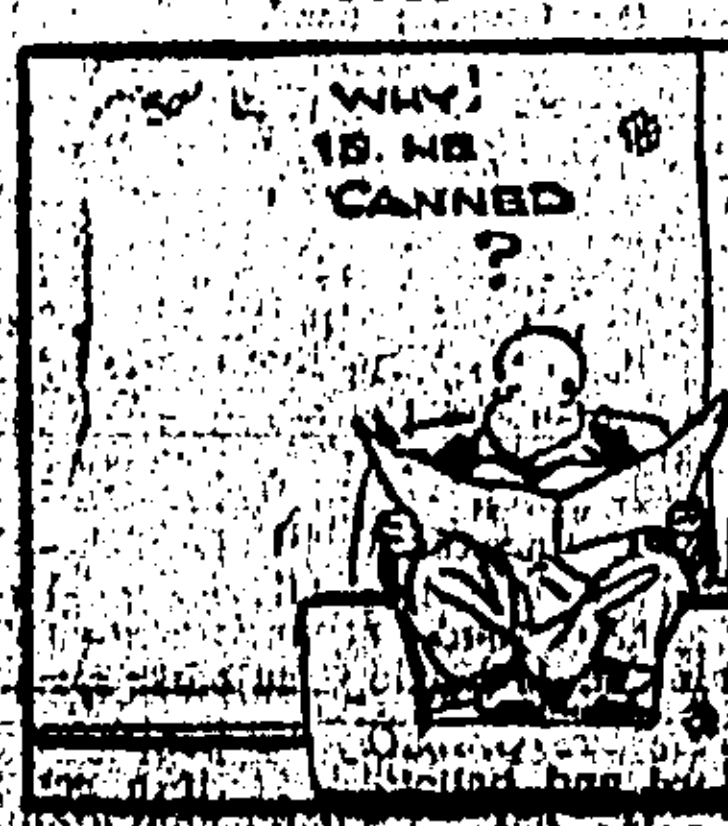
The launches are equipped with a quick-firing gun, a heavy machine-gun and several light machine-guns.

Overcast Chinese from the United States and Canada appear to be the object of the pirates, because of their wealth. Most of their activity is centred on the East River and the North River where towboats and motor vessels have been fired upon and passengers looted and injured.

Consequently, many passengers, rather than risk a river voyage, have been travelling north by train.

With a lack of rail transportation in East Kwangtung, owners of tow boats and diesel engines are planning to proceed under convoy on the East River.—Associated Press.

Preserve film



First Snow Falls In Britain

Fort William, Nov. 15. The first snow falls in England and Scotland was reported today. More than three inches have fallen at Fort William during the night and it is still snowing heavily.

Motorists were held up on many Derbyshire roads, the heaviest falls being in the Duxton arch. More snow is forecast today in the Pennine peaks and Lake districts.

In North Wales, where the first snows fell two days ago, deep drifts are reported.—Reuter.

Jap Judge Becomes A Cupid

Tokyo, Nov. 16. District Court Judge Jiro Yokokawa today sentenced a Japanese girl, caught stealing, to 10 months' imprisonment, with three years stay of execution, and then, a few minutes after the case closed, acted as go-between with the chief prosecutor for the girl's marriage to her principal witness.

The 27-year-old husband-to-be, Shunichi Honda of Tokyo, said he knew his bride-to-be was a victim of "cruel social conditions" and was not a born criminal.

Twenty-five-year-old Masako Haruyama, moon-faced convict, was brought to justice after entering an empty home and stealing 5,000 yen in cash and a dozen items of clothing.

Honda, a volunteer, was a character witness when he read about the case in the newspapers and recognized Masako as a girl he had met a year and half ago in a train.

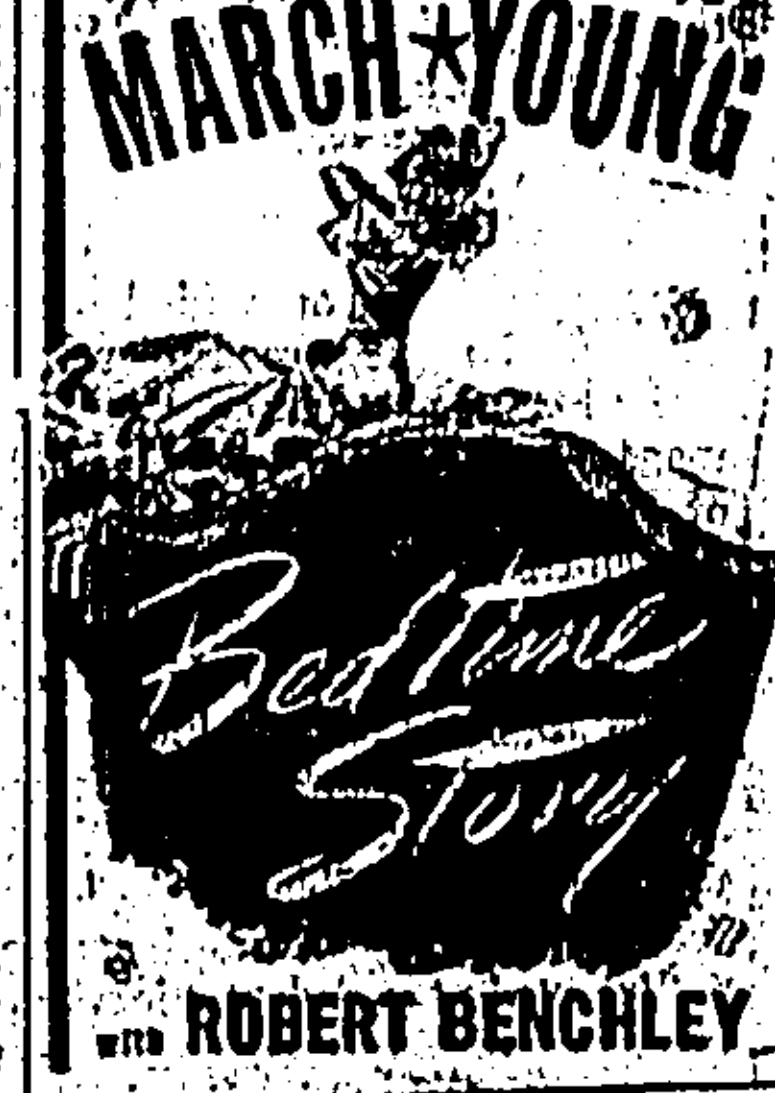
On that occasion he had given the girl money and "encouraging words" after hearing her life story, he said.

Masako then was on her way home after unsuccessfully trying to visit her first husband and child who had been allowed to go by a "kind policeman," though arrested while stealing.

Honda testified to the court that she lived with her first husband—a farmer's son—for five years after meeting him when she was a nurse but he left her with the young son because his father stubbornly refused to sanction the marriage.—United Press.

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MARRIAGE

GLOSSOP-DAVISON:—The Marriage took place at Brompton Oratory, London, on 15th October, 1947, between Ronald Augustus Davison, adopted son of the late Sir David and Lady Wilkie, Edinburgh, and Beatrice Glossop, widow of Capt. F. W. A. Glossop, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada (formerly The Royal Scots) and younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonji, Hong Kong.

A SENSIBLE PLAN

Reparations have not been the burning question they were after the war of 1914-18, mainly because experience taught greater economic wisdom to the victors, and because the vanquished have less chance to balk. The principle is widely accepted that Germany should make what she can to her victims, but that she should remain able to support a reasonable standard of life for herself. Such a principle alone can combine regard for the justice of atonement with the material fact that a starving rubbish heap in Germany could make no contribution to European recovery. But there has always been room for controversy in the application of the principle. It has proved a difficult matter to decide what Germany should pay and what she should keep.

Decision has now been reached so far as the Anglo-American zones are concerned. It is, of course, overdue because neither Germany nor her victims can know exactly where they are until the level of German industry and what is surplus to that level have been settled. The delay is really not our fault, for a decision could hardly be reached while there was a chance that, as assumed by the Potsdam agreement in August, 1945, Germany would be treated as an economic whole. When it became clear that Russia would not play on that basis a new start had to be made. It has now matured into a detailed list of the plants to be dismantled and those to be left in the Anglo-American zones; and it is pretty clear that the list ought to go far towards answering both those who feared we should be too hard and those who feared we should be too soft.

Those who thought that the plan would be infected by the old "squeeze the orange" mentality, or would reflect a hidebound adherence to what certainly ought, in general to be the defunct agreement of Potsdam, have been confounded. There are others who, on the contrary, thought that the Germans might be enabled to start planning revenge, as they did before. These critics may be asked to indicate where they would like the plan to be harsher. Would they wish the surface buildings, now to be preserved, to be blown down? Do they realise that all plant specially designed for armaments has been or will be destroyed? Do they require release from the need to keep the Germans alive? Do they, in the midst of their own terrible economic difficulties, want a share in the German production which only this plan can achieve? If Europe wants to use German industry a start must be made towards the goal some day. This plan is a start and a sensible start. It is designed to enable the Germans to live modestly and to contribute substantially to their neighbours' well-being. What the Russians or the French or the Germans themselves think of it will be revealed in due course. For all animated with "unreasonable" suspicion or sentimentality, the plan, conceived as it is by responsible and able men on the spot, holds the field.

BUS COLLISION AT CENOTAPH

London, Nov. 16.—Six people were injured and taken to Westminster Hospital this morning when a double-deck bus collided with a car near the Cenotaph in Parliament Street, London. Five of the injured were discharged later after treatment but the sixth, a conductor, was retained for an X-ray examination.—Reuter.

INTIMATE PICTURE OF ROYAL COUPLE

By Robert Musel

Princess Elizabeth and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten are a handsome couple by any standard and easily among the best looking pair in European royalty. Close friends of the Princess say it's a real love match, based on mutual attraction and an identity of interests in many spheres. Here is how they strike their intimates. Elizabeth is 21, five feet five inches tall, weighs just over 120 pounds, has brown hair blue eyes and white, though rather large teeth. Her complexion is cream white, an inheritance from her mother whose perfect skin wins her more envy from British women than her Queen's crown. She is attractive, rather than pretty, wears clothes well despite an addiction to wedge-type shoes which do not particularly suit her. She has a 34 inch bust, 35 hips after losing an inch or two all round on the South African tour. She is an excellent ballroom dancer, loves good food, bright lights, parties and entertaining her friends. She has a good singing voice and occasionally used to have special arrangements of popular songs made to suit her own vocal range.

The Unhealed Rift In The U.N.

By FRANCIS CARPENTER

Most of the major problems of the United Nations Assembly remain unsolved after seven weeks of debating and manoeuvring among the 57 member countries. There is no

sign of healing the deep Soviet-United States rift which appears in every action of the Assembly. Secretary-General Trygve Lie's staff has decided to step up the tempo of the Assembly

100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail")

A letter was addressed to the Admiral complaining of the inconvenience arising from the delay in the arrival of the M/S Steamers in China. To this communication the following answer was returned:—

"Gentlemen,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt this day of your letter, on the subject of the frequent delays beyond the appointed time, in the arrival in Hong Kong of the Contract Packets with Her Majesty's Mail. Having myself been a witness in the vessel in which I was lately a passenger, and in other vessels of the China Line, of the evil of which you complain, I had before the receipt of your letter communicated with the Managing Directors of the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company in London, and their Agent at Hong Kong, pointing out the penalties to which the company are liable for breaches of contract, and I had likewise directed the Admiralty Agents in the Contract Packets on the China Line to protect against the vessels being overlaid to an extent likely to retard their voyage, but I deem the representation which you have made to me to be of such importance that I shall take the earliest opportunity of transmitting your letter to the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty. I have the honour to be, etc."

The "Peking Gazette" states that the Emperor has held a grand archery meeting at Peking; forty Officers of the Archers contended for the prizes—the distance was 200 paces; and the prize awarded to him who placed all his six (the number allowed) arrows in the Bull's eye of the target, was two yards of fur valued at 20,000 Taels presented by the Imperial household. They who missed the mark once and struck it five times received: 1 yard of fur valued: 10,000 Taels. Yung Teek was the fortunate man and the only candidate who received the 2 yards of fur; besides which he was highly complimented before all the Court, as being the best Archer in the Capital. None of the other candidates obtained even the second prize. The Emperor, in good health and although old, still retains the vigour of youth; he employs much of his time in hunting and other sports.

and lipstick, doesn't pluck her eyebrows and her nail polish is natural shade. She will accentuate her makeup for the wedding because of the Abbey's poor lighting. She is given to serious moods and has a temper. She is moderately athletic with riding and swimming her only real accomplishments and some stag shooting. She occasionally spills from her horses but not as spectacularly as her uncle the Duke of Windsor when he was Prince

(V-E night) on her own and rushed through the crowds. This is considered very daring for the heiress to the throne.

Philip is 26, six feet one inch tall, very blonde weighs about 170 and resembles a fair version of his handsome uncle Earl Mountbatten. Although born a Prince of Greece (His Royal Highness Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark of the House of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg) he does not speak Greek and English is his native tongue. He speaks French and German. He is also a good dancer, likes pink gin and beer, and the phobian tavern game of "skittles."

He is fond of fast automobiles and multi-minute trips and like Elizabeth takes a great deal of interest in public affairs. (He had the job of lecturing new naval recruits on world events). Philip also likes night life and its concomitants in London's elegant West End—champagne, good food, good music. He laughs rather more easily than Elizabeth and one story is that he laughed himself out of Nazi Germany as a boy because the Hitler salute struck him as funny. He is a good athlete captaining his school as hockey and cricket and competing in the high jump and javelin throw. He is a crack sailor, won the coveted Morayshire Badge for his handling of sailboats in all-weather, got himself into the usual boyish mischief at school and, weary of being asked for his autograph, used to blithely sign "Baldwin of Bewdley" (Earl Baldwin). At the Naval Training School at Dartmouth he won the best cadet of his term award and the best all-round-cadet of the year award.

As a midshipman in the Battle of Matapan he was mentioned in dispatches for his handling of the searchlight batteries. This was his only major wartime action and he used to complain "this is a dull war—no shooting." His shipmates like which in the Royal Navy is the finest recommendation of all.—United Press.

First, Russia lost a long and hard fight to get the U.N. to condemn "criminal war propaganda," particularly in the United States, Greece, and Turkey. Then the Soviet Government voted with the other delegates for a resolution condemning all forms of propaganda designed to provoke or encourage any threat to peace.

Second, the Assembly approved, over Russian bloc opposition, the creation of an 11 member Balkan border watch commission. It will do what it can to try to settle the controversy involving Greece and three Soviet satellites. Russia and Poland announced they would boycott this commission.

Third, the Political Committee sent to a sub-committee the American proposal for a year around sitting of the Assembly. This "little assembly" proposal has been altered somewhat in the sub-committee. Its rough outline was not substantially changed. Russia and Czechoslovakia refused to serve on the sub-committee. They voiced strong opposition to the "little assembly." This plan still must clear the Political Committee and then the Assembly.

Fourth, the Political Committee has approved an American proposed Korean commission to supervise election of representatives of the Korean people to consult with the UN on their independence. Russia gave notice she would not serve on this commission unless the "truly elected" representatives of the Korean people were invited to participate in the discussions. The political group will tackle the Korean problem again next week.

Fifth, the Special Palestine Committee of the Assembly has tossed its mandate temporarily to two sub-committees, one to work on proposals for partition of Palestine and the other to draw up the Arab ideas for an independent Palestine. The United States suggested creation of sovereign Arab and Jewish nations in Palestine by next July 1.

One leading delegate who would not permit identification, said there would be a lot of talk about the veto question but that it would be "lost time" at this stage. He said it would serve no purpose.

The work of the Atomic Energy Commission and of the Commission for Conventional Armaments will be subject to review. Speculation was general that these would not take much time. One delegate predicted that if finally approved, the "little assembly" committee, on which one member from each of the 57 nations would sit between regular Assembly sessions, would be the most important achievement of this Assembly.—Associated Press.

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Peiping, Nov. 16. Colonel and Mrs. Robert McCormick arrived in Peiping from Shanghai and were greeted by Mayor Ho Sze-yuan and American Consul General O. Edmund Clubb.

From the airfield the visitors motored to the Yenching University and lunched with W. H. Adolph, Acting President, during the absence of the President.

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When either a game or a slam, especially the latter, is at stake, it will pay a rubber bridge dealer to apply every measure which will safeguard the making of the contract. To do this, he should be willing to forego the luxury of taking extra tricks if they involve the slightest unnecessary risk. Particularly, a declarer striving for merely the contract and forgetting all about the extras will sometimes find that the safest way to aim at contract is also the only way that would give an extra trick too.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Couldn't we throw me out at the east city limits this trip? I've been a day and a half tryin' to get through town!"

Fighting Clubs Of Indonesia

From places of concealment in the tangled undergrowth overlooking Western Sumatra's deep-gauged ravines, a thousand pairs of eyes stare down upon the slender road which leads into No-Man's-Land and the Dutch occupation area at Padang. Sometimes a Dutch Bren carrier noses cautiously forward to the point where demolitions have left only a narrow footpath. Beyond are mines. The carrier turns on its treads and goes back. The thousand unseen men again put down their guns—or bamboo spears—and wait.

There is an uneasy peace in Republican Sumatra today as the United Nations three-power commission attempts to reconcile Dutch and Indonesian antagonists. But here inside Republican Sumatra the Indonesians stand alert.

Their first line of defence is the Indonesian National Army. But in Sumatra, far more than in Java, the Republic has a second line of defence—the fighting forces of political parties, less disciplined but far more fanatic than the regular forces. Dutch Lieutenant General S. H. Spoor calls them "fighting clubs" but, though ill-equipped, they seem ready for a guerrilla war in the jungles and mountains of Sumatra, should the Dutch renew their offensive.

They are the Hizbullah, the Pesindo (Socialist Youth Organisation), Red Army (Communist Party fighting force), Sabitulah (a fanatic Islamic sect), Mujahidin (of the fierce Acheh people of the far north, historic enemies of the Dutch, Napindo, Lami (Islamic fighting group), Laska Shaidi (Death's Head), and others.

Major General Raden Suwopo, once a Lieutenant in the Suwopo Dutch colonial army and now Republican Chief of Staff for Sumatra, says Republican control over these forces has become increasingly effective.

Political leaders in various interviews agreed that this is the political layout in Sumatra: North—(in order of importance) moderate Nationalist Party; conservative Islamic Party; Communist Party; Socialists.

South—Socialists; Nationalists, West—Muslim Party; Communist Party; Socialist Party.

But, while numerically the Muslim or Islamic Party is the largest, in influence the Socialists probably rank first except in West Sumatra, where they get a close run from the Communists. A trusted informant said that party membership in all political organizations is negligible in West Sumatra; he estimated, there are 2,000 Communist Party members and perhaps 100,000 "aspirants" who are taken into the elite party group only after considerable periods. The Socialists, who hold most top posts, have about 5,000 members there. The Conservative and strongly anti-Communist Marjomi, he estimated, have about 100,000.

While the number of off-dominant Communists runs far higher than in Java, where political leaders consider Communist influence negligible, in Sumatra the Communists have sublimated their party programme to the national revolution.

"I don't imagine that they would be called Communists anywhere else in the world," Vice-President Mohammed Hatta said in an interview here. "Actually, they are primarily Nationalists. They have no contact with Communists elsewhere. It is largely a party label and, no more."—Associated Press.

Back to dummy. He went with the club J to the A and took the marked finesse of the J. Two top trumps and three clubs for heart tricks cleared his entire hand in three of the tricks. His safety play had paid a dividend in the form of an extra trick.

To protect himself against this danger, he finessed immediately after winning the first trick with the heart A. By this expedient, he made sure that, if the finesse lost and the defender returned a heart, there would be a trump standing guard in dummy. While finessing, he did a real job of it, putting in the 9 instead of the J. He had really nothing important to lose by this low finesse, and something to gain. He was truly surprised when it held, and plenty pleased. It really gained him an extra trick.

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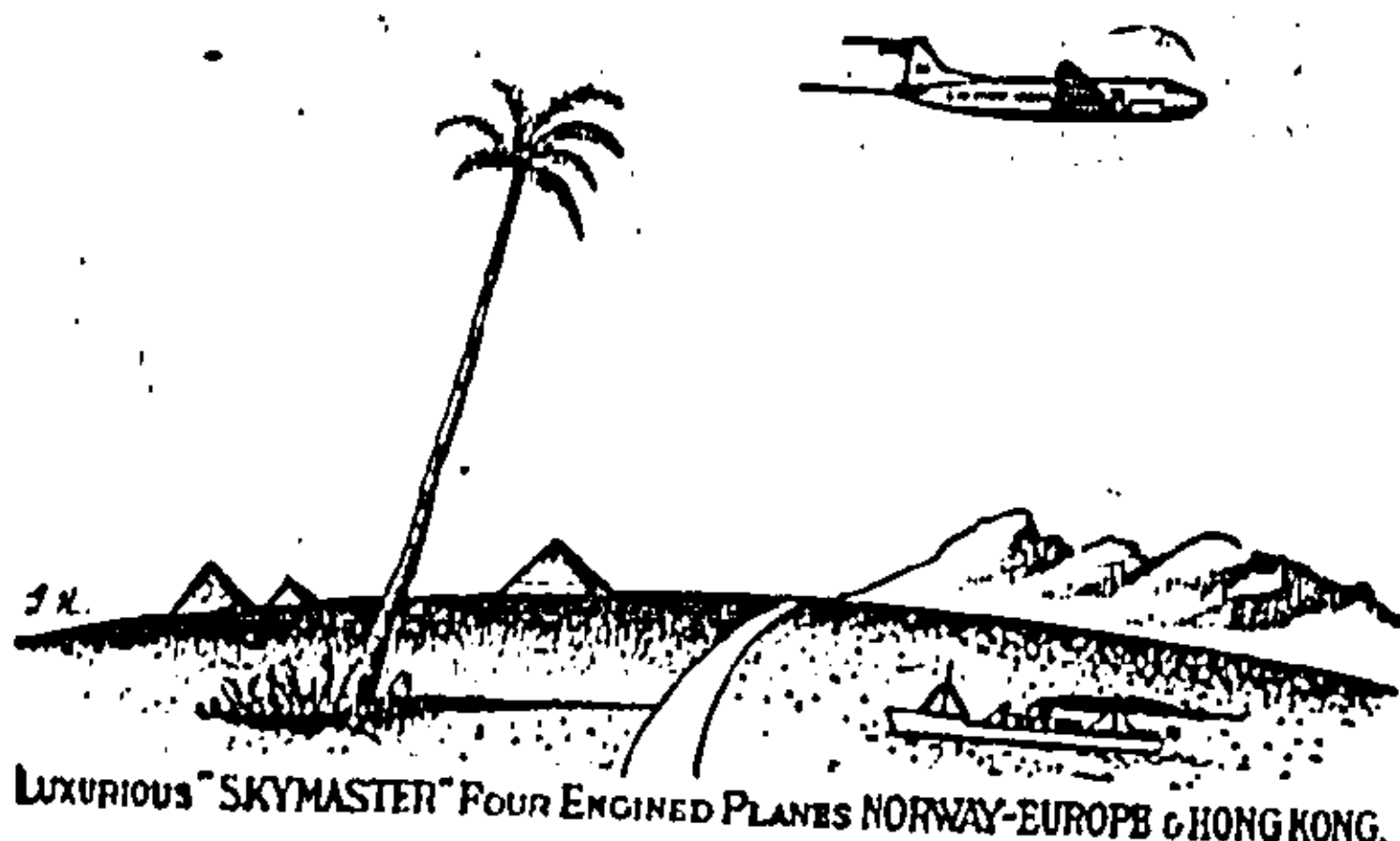
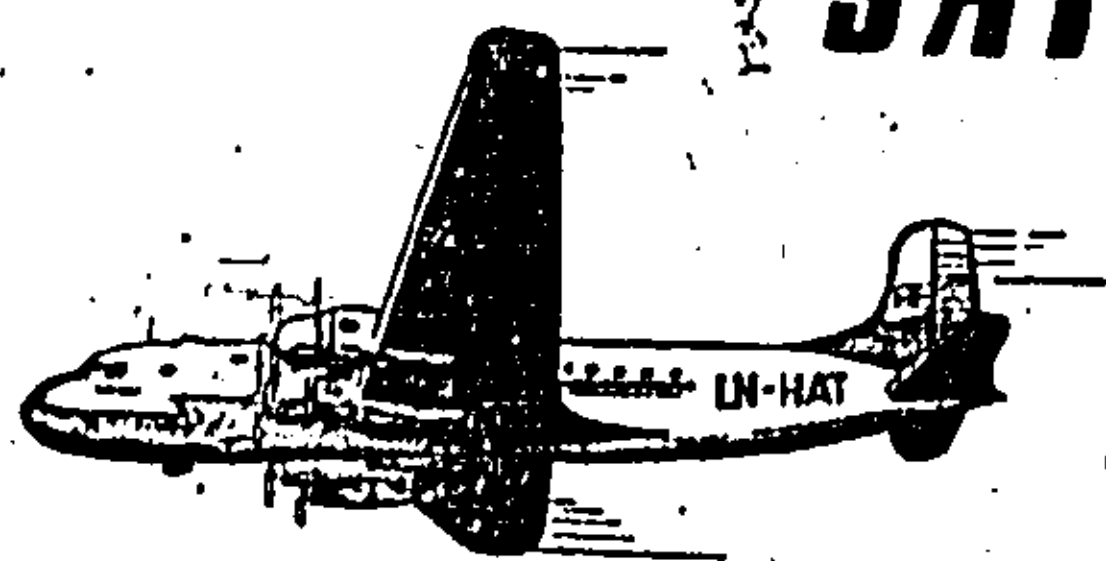
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FRANCO-SOVIET CONTRETEMPS

Arms Cache Found In Russian Repat Camp

Military Swoop Near Paris

Paris, Nov. 16. The Soviet Embassy in Paris is "awaiting instructions from its Government" whether to lodge a formal protest with the French Government over a search which uncovered hidden arms in the Beauregard Russian repatriation camp near Paris on Friday, the Russian Embassy here announced today.

About 2,000 French Mobile Guards, supported by four armoured cars, surrounded the camp and found, in a store room, two cases of arms, including 50 revolvers, Sten guns, assorted rifles and about a dozen grenades, French official sources said.

The Soviet Embassy, in a long statement of explanation, said that the arms were "in a bad condition and practically unusable" and complained that the Embassy had been told by the French Foreign Ministry that the search would be made only 20 minutes in advance.

The statement added that the Embassy had refused its consent to the search.

Search For Children

The Russian statement said that the Soviet authorities in the camp had been authorised by an agreement with the French Government to carry out "a search for children" and that under another agreement, arms belonging to Soviet citizens awaiting repatriation in the camp came the property of the Soviet Government.

A French Ministry of the Interior spokesman had earlier stated that the search was made in an attempt to find three "missing" children of a Russian-born stateless woman awaiting repatriation to Russia.

Her husband had been granted custody of the children in a divorce decree issued by a court at Nice.

A Ministry communiqué alleged that the mother was attempting to "kidnap" the children.

Although the mother and the children were not on the camp roster, they were found at the camp.

In the Russian statement, it was claimed that previous collections of arms at the camp had been turned over to the French authorities in December, 1945, July, 1946 and October 1946.

To Be Cited

The statement also claimed that the woman and children were not "hidden" in the camp and that the Russian language newspaper, in Paris, Rous-sienovost, had published an interview and photographs of them at the camp on Nov. 7.

The statement continued: "All that was necessary to find them was to read the newspapers. In any case, there was no need to send three battalions and combat tanks".

The French Foreign Office tonight delivered a note to the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, informing him of the French Government's intention to wind up the Beauregard camp within the next five days.

The camp will be taken over by the French authorities, and then disbanded, official quarters reported.

The French action was held here to be a general hardening of the Government's attitude towards Soviet influence in French affairs.—Reuter.

Appeal For Help For U.S. Shipping

Washington, Nov. 15. A call to the Government to give financial backing to a plan to establish a progressive United States shipbuilding industry by creating a more efficient merchant fleet was made today by President Truman's Advisory Committee on the merchant marine.

Such a development, the Committee declared, was indispensable to both national security and peacetime economic stability.

It disclosed that, unless new contracts were placed immediately, American shipyards would be almost idle early next year and called for a \$15,000,000 construction programme to include two "express-type" trans-Atlantic passenger vessels.

The Committee stated in its report that it had found that, while foreign shipyards were constructing many modern ships that would compete with

CONTROLS ON-ATOMIC EQUIPMENT

Washington, Nov. 15. Stricter controls over the export of anything relating to atomic energy research and production will be put into effect on Nov. 20, the Atomic Energy Commission announced today.

The order requires a licence for the shipment of any "facilities or equipment" which could be used for the production of uranium, plutonium, or any fissionable material, or for laboratory instruments such as radiation detection equipment and high vacuum apparatus.—Reuter

Chinese Fighting For Democracy

Washington, Nov. 16. Archbishop Paul Yu Pin, head of the Catholic archdiocese of Nanking here today said China is fighting democracy's battle in opposing the Chinese Communist army, which he said are "equipped and in part officered by the Russian army."

He said China is fighting not a civil war, but a life and death struggle against Communism—"the beginning of an international war launched by the Soviet Union against the democracies."

He said the "third world war" began when the Communists sought to establish independent sovereignty in Manchuria. In a report on China to the Institute's trustees the Archbishop said it was but a half truth to call the Chinese conflict a civil war. He said Chinese Communism was like Communism everywhere—Soviet-directed.—Associated Press.

Loyalty Review Board

Washington, Nov. 16. Americans in Government agencies who are charged with disloyalty in the current campaign against subversive elements are to be granted hearings and written notices of the charges, to enable preparation of defence, according to an announcement by President Truman.

The announcement followed the first meeting of the new American Loyalty Review Board and the plea by counsel of seven employees, who had been dropped from the State Department, that they be allowed to resign without prejudice or be given full and fair hearings.

President Truman, who expected from his order a few Government agencies, who might need to exercise extraordinary powers granted them by Congress, emphasised that subversive elements must be removed from the employment of the Federal Government, but said that rumour, gossip or suspicion would not be sufficient to lead to dismissal.

Dismissed employees would have the right to appeal to a Review Board of outstanding citizens with no axe to grind whose judgment would be as impartial as humanly possible.—Reuter.

PARAMARIBO CONSPIRACY

Paramaribo, Surinam, Nov. 15. Six soldiers and policemen are under arrest here in connection with Government charges of a conspiracy to seize military barracks and intern the Dutch Governor of this Netherlands colony.

Authorities said some of the plotters had seen service in Indonesia, and indicated they may have been influenced by developments there. They were said to have depended on support from the Creole element of the colony's population.—Associated Press.

YOUNGSTERS FOR THE FORCE

Chester, Nov. 16. Boys of sixteen are being offered jobs as police cadets to work with the Cheshire County Police. They will be encouraged to join the adult force later—some will be attached to the C.I.D. for training as detectives.

Boys are being invited to apply for jobs while still at school. Cadets will work a 40-hour week at junior local Government officers' rates.—Reuter.

MORE JAPS

Tokyo, Nov. 16. The Statistical Bureau announced today that Japan's population as of Oct. 1 totalled 78,090,991, an increase of 4,976,855 over April 1946.

It said the figures showed 1,849,947 more females than males. The bureau also reported that Tokyo's population is 4,997,666.—United Press.

sary to put it on a fair competitive basis on the various foreign trade routes and to protect it from discriminatory practices in the domestic trade.—Reuter.

General Assembly To Hold Next Meeting In Europe

Flushing Meadows, Nov. 16. The United Nations General Assembly approved today the holding of its next session in Europe providing the Assembly later approved by a two-thirds majority the extra cost involved. The voting was 32 for and 17 against, and five abstentions.

The Secretary-General, Dr. Trygve Lie, and the committee of nine members, have the task of choosing the town where the session is to be held. There is at present considerable opposition to Geneva because of the difficulty in obtaining Swiss francs. The main favourite town for the session is Paris.

In a dramatic session during which Sir Harold Shawcross, the British delegate, led a strong fight against the move on the grounds that it would involve the delegations in extra expenses and reduce their efficiency, the Assembly took a simple majority vote. The extra cost is reported by Russia.—Reuter.

AMERICA MAY CONTROL COMMUNIST ACTIVITY

Washington, Nov. 16. Informed observers believe that present trends in the United States may lead, within the next few months, to consideration by the Supreme Court of the fate of the Communist Party here and the rights of its members under the Bill of Rights.

Recent hearings by the House of Representatives Un-American Affairs Committee on Communism in Hollywood are generally considered to have been designed mainly to win public support for two bills which the Committee will consider at the next ordinary session of Congress and which, in varying degrees, are aimed at controlling the activities of the Communist Party and its members.

The first bill, sponsored by the Republican Congressman, Mr. Karl Mundt, would require the registration of all Communists under the Foreign Agents Registration Act and similar registration of members of any organisation "dominated, directed or controlled" by the Communist Party.

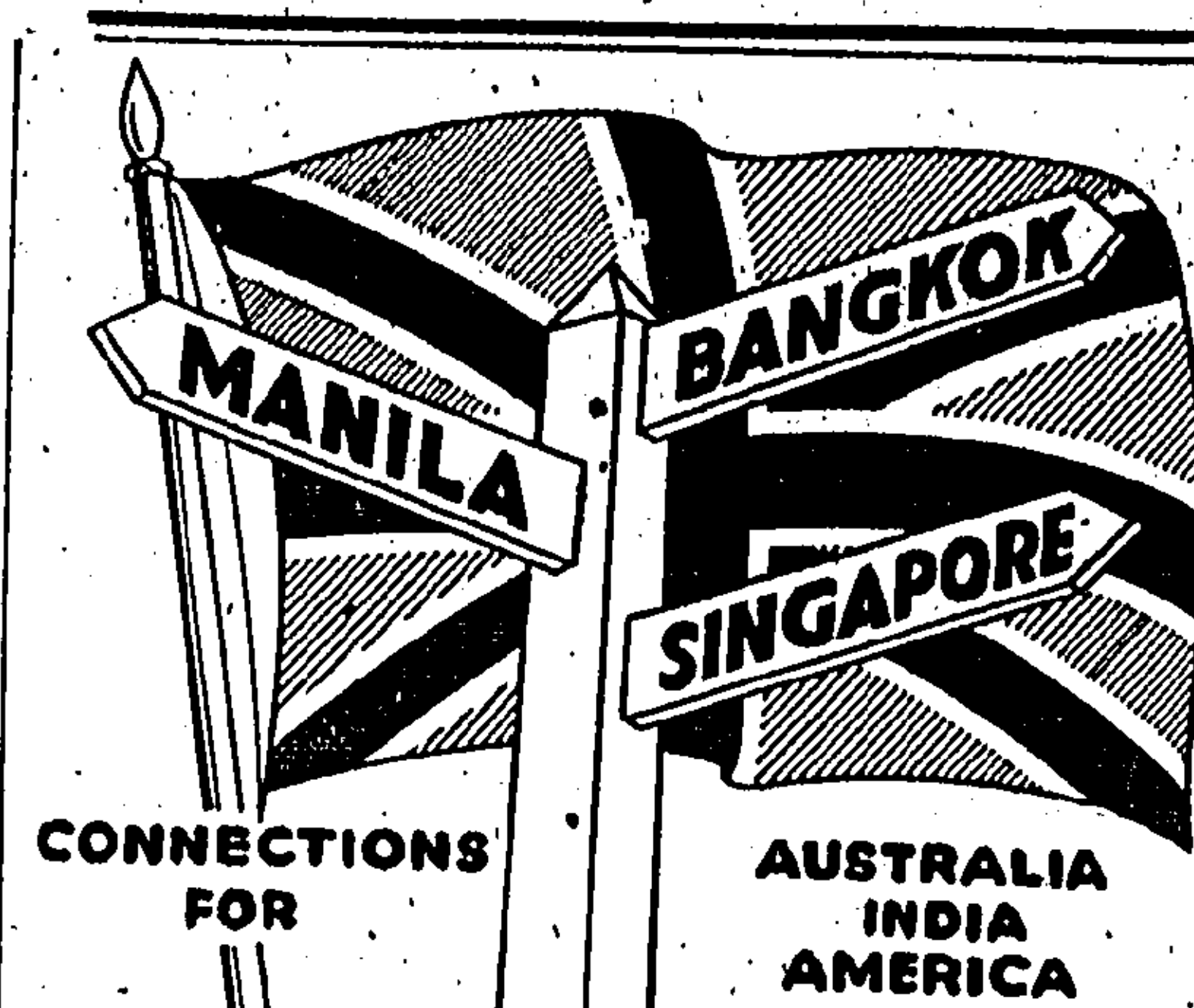
The second measure, put forward by the Democratic Congressman, Mr. John Rankin, would place severe restrictions on Communist political activities. It would make it illegal for Communists to run for State or Federal offices, Teachers in private or public schools would be forbidden to advocate, or

Under Moscow?

For instance, the first measure is based on the assumption that the Communist Party in this country is an agency of the Soviet Government.

Several years ago, the Department of Justice ruled that the Communist Party was "subversive" and was seeking to overthrow the Government by force and on the basis of this ruling the Immigration Service barred entry to all aliens known to be Communists.

No Government department, court or official, however, has yet categorically affirmed whether or not the party does, in fact, "act under orders from Moscow"—Reuter.



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THE FUTURE OF THE POUND

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Nov. 16.

Steady tendency, perhaps the last selected stocks on Saturday but it was the fourth straight declining week for the market as a whole. A little professional short-covering and buying elsewhere cropped up at the week-end on the idea that a technical rally was overdue. In the slow moving final session, gains included Pacific Western Oil, Mission Corporation, Dome Mines, McIntyre Petroleum, Phillips Petroleum.

Among laggers were Consolidated, Edison, Eversharp, Cerro de Pasco, Armour and Company.

Transfers totalled 100,000 shares. Dow Jones averages: Stocks 63.44, 20 Industrials 180.26, 15 Rails 46.86, 10 Utilities 34.14.

Closing quotations: Adams Express 17 1/4, Alaska Juneau 4 1/4, American Can 14, American Smelting 67 1/2, American Telephone 15 1/4, American Tobacco 6 1/2, American Waterworks 19 1/4, Anaconda Copper 35 1/2, Aviation Corp. 5 1/4, Baldwin Locomotive 15 1/4, Barnwell 32 1/4, Bendis Aviation 3 1/4, Boeing Aircraft 18 1/4, Burden Co. 4 1/4, Canadian Pacific 10 1/4, J.I. Case 4 1/4, Chrysler 6 1/4, Colgate 4 1/4, Corn Producers 6 1/4, Dupont 18 1/4, Eastman Kodak 4 1/4, Electric Light & Power 16 1/4, General Electric 35 1/4, General Motors 58 1/4, Goodrich 57 1/4, Goodyear 45, Greyhound 11 1/4, Home-Sake Mining 42, International Harvester 58, International Paper 57 1/4, International Tel. & Tel. 13, Johns-Manville 42 1/4, Kennecott Copper 42 1/4, Montgomery Ward 56 1/4, National Distillers 20 1/4, National Lead 34, New York Central 13 1/4, Packard Motors 4 1/4, Pan American Airways 9 1/4, Pennsylvania RR 17 1/4, Radio Corp. 9 1/4, Republic Steel 27, Reynolds Tobacco 40, Schenley 34, Sears Roebuck 37 1/4, Shell Oil 30, Socotec Vacuum 16 1/4, Southern Pacific 43 1/4, Standard Brands 25 1/4, Standard Oil of Calif. 60 1/4, Standard Oil of N.Y. 74 1/4, Studebaker 20 1/4, Union Carbide 31 1/4, U.S. Rubber 45 1/4, U.S. Steel 74 1/4, U.S. Lines 20 1/4, Westinghouse 27 1/4, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 78 1/4.

ZURICH EXCHANGES

Zurich on London 17 1/4, New York 43 1/4, Paris 162 1/4, Brussels 9 1/4, Amsterdam 162 1/4, Lisbon 15 1/2, Buenos Aires 107 1/2, Stockholm 119 1/2, Madrid 39 1/4. —Reuter.

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Buenos Aires, Nov. 15. Sovereign, buyers 64.00; sellers 66.00. U.S. \$20 Eagle, 118.50b; 121.00a. Gold Bar, Gramme, 5.95b; 6.10a. —Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE

Across: 1. Set apart. 2. Dumb. 3. Disorderly. 4. Perilous. 5. Got ready. 6. Network. 7. Retaliation. 8. Recuse. 9. Relate. 10. Spoke evil of. 11. Displeased. 12. Stupefy. 13. Cease to flow. 14. Boundary. 15. Volume. 16. Caterpillar. 17. Stage. 18. Denounce. 19. Departed. 20. Observe. 21. Steward. 22. Mark of a blow. 23. Carrying.

Clues Across

Clues Down

Saturday's Crossword

Across: 1. Ruler. 2. Aisle. 3. Reluctant. 4. Signal. 5. Stirling. 6. Terrier. 7. Easter. 8. Urgent. 9. Cheap. 10. Treat.

Down: 1. Remit. 2. Refs. 3. Trav.

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(By Norman Crump)

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Nothing was done then to prevent its continuance. On the contrary, as Mr. Dalton admitted he anticipated full convertibility by making payment arrangements with certain countries, which enabled them within limits to convert sterling into dollars. He added that his anticipatory action had expired July 15, the nominal date for full convertibility, of any real significance.

The Open Door

In other words, the door was opened last winter, even if full use was not made of it until July. Nor is it certain that the door has been entirely closed. To-day Belgium holds sterling up to the limit of \$27 millions laid down in the new Anglo-Belgian Agreement. It was only in the middle of September that the Belgian authorities ceased taking sterling from other countries, thereby admitting that a certain amount of unloading had been taking place up to that relatively late date.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, Nov. 15. Gold, per "dixie" 169 piastres; Egyptian pound 480; Sovereign 521; Turkish Pound 365; Napoleon 365; Dollar (piece de cinq) 430; "liver" (piastre) per kilogram 430. One "dixie" equals 1/40th of an ounce.—Reuter.

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"STRATHNAVER" U.K. & Straits 5th Dec.
"RUBY STONE" Japan 6th Dec.
"SOCOTRA" Kobe 10th Dec.
"TREVORE" Shanghai 10th Dec.
"DAN-Y-BRYN" Shanghai 14th Dec.
"TREVORE" U.K. via Straits 10th Jan.

SAILINGS

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"CANTON" Aden, Colombo, & London 24th Nov.
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"FURNEA" Bombay via Straits & Colombo 30th Nov.
"TREVORE" Shanghai 29th Nov.
"DAN-Y-BRYN" Shanghai 3rd Dec.
"STRATHNAVER" Japan 6th Dec.
"RUBY STONE" Bombay via Straits 7th Dec.
"SOCOTRA" Genoa, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam (Amsterdam) via Straits 12th Dec.
"TREVORE" Genoa-London-Antwerp-Rotterdam (Amsterdam) via Straits & Colombo 16th Dec.
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"STRATHNAVER" U.K. 13th Jan.

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 Macao, Tientsin and Shekai, 3 a.m.
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 Canton, 2 p.m.
 Straits, Macassar, Surabaya and Batavia, 2 p.m.
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The Future Of The Pound

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The world hunger for dollars was no doubt the main cause of this year's run on sterling.

But an additional factor was the shock given by last winter's fuel crisis to world confidence in sterling.

When Europe found that we were not producing enough coal, even for our own needs, and that our whole production programme had been disrupted in consequence, it was hardly surprising that many people felt that sterling was a poor currency to hold.

We are now faced with a critical position, to meet which the Government's plans include a drastic curtailment of imports.

As an immediate measure this may be necessary, but it is a very dangerous measure to adopt. The reason is that our imports are other countries' exports; and many other countries need to expand their exports even more than we do ourselves.

There is admittedly a strong case for temporarily cutting down imports which have to be paid for in dollars. But if Europe is to recover, and if world trade is not to collapse even more disastrously than it did in 1932-33, we should think twice before we curtail our imports from the sterling area and soft-currency countries, or prevent our people from visiting Europe.

One of our first tasks is to restore world confidence in sterling. If we do this, we may get a limited flight back into the pound.

As Mr. Dalton reminded the House, working sterling balances held by overseas interests were heavily reduced last August. This was partly due to doubts whether the convertibility of sterling could be maintained.

If we could induce overseas interests to restore these working balances, it would provide us with a very useful cushion, and would mitigate the drain upon our gold reserves which, as Sir Stafford Cripps and Mr. Dalton have reminded us, is bound to continue next year.

If confidence in sterling is to be restored, the world must come to regard the pound as a useful currency, which will buy what people need. This emphasises the importance of our export programme, always provided that we produce what other countries really want at prices which they are prepared to pay.

Coal is the Key

The real key is coal. If the world is to believe in us, we must be seen to be not only producing coal, but transporting it to our ports and shipping it overseas.

This would do more to make the world believe in us than all our exports of textiles, motor-cars, machinery and other finished goods, to say nothing of gold.

The National Coal Board is still suffering from its growing pains. Too many miners believed that nationalisation meant that they would own the pits. The old system of private ownership of the mines disappeared at the end of 1946.

Before the new system of control, on the "higher command" level had had time to develop, the completion of this new system, combined with the infusion of a new spirit into the industry, is perhaps the most vital need today.

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 Singapore & Bangkok:
 Nov. 19, CPA, 3 p.m.

Singapore:
 Nov. 21, Air France, 2.45 p.m.
 Singapore:
 Nov. 17, BOAC, (Capt. John), 4.15 p.m.
 Nov. 19, Skyways, (Capt. Nelson), 3.15 p.m.

Shanghai:
 Nov. 17, CNAC, (DC4), 11.45 a.m.
 Nov. 18, CNAC, (DC4), 11.45 a.m.
 Nov. 19, CNAC, (DC4), 11.45 a.m.

Manila:
 Nov. 18, CPA, 12 noon.

DEPARTURES TO
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 Nov. 19, BOAC, (Capt. John), 9 a.m.
 Singapore & Bangkok:
 Nov. 17, BOAC, (Capt. Field), 8.30 a.m.
 Nov. 21, CPA, 7 a.m.
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Manila:
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